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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) Confirmation No.: 4856  
Gary K. Michelson )  
Serial No.: 10/664,776 ) Group Art Unit: 3731  
Filed: September 17, 2003 ) Examiner: David Reip  
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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated March 16, 2005, the period for reply having been extended for three (3) months by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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